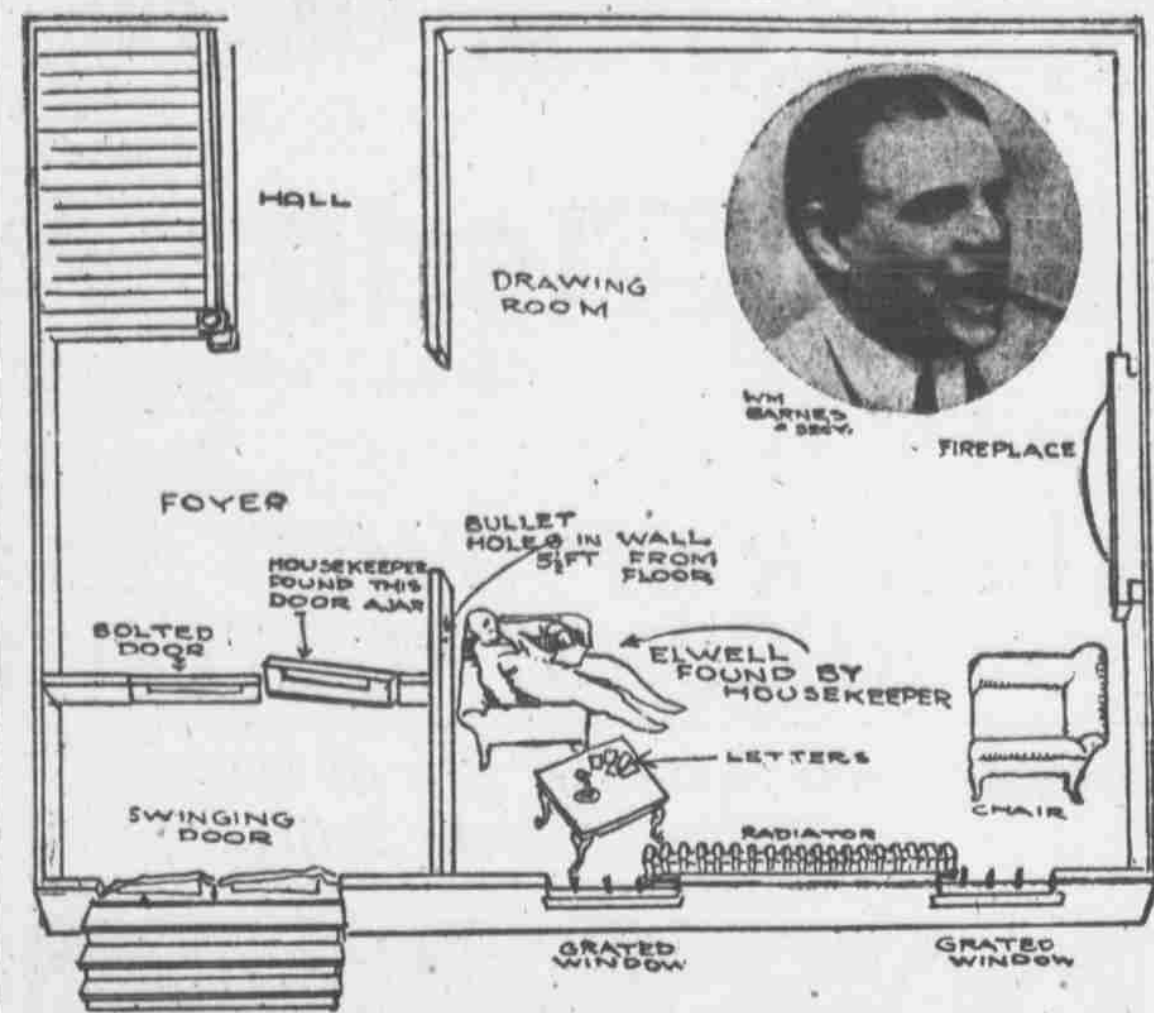


POLICE RECONSTRUCT ELWELL MURDER AT SCENE OF CRIME

Diagram of the Scene of Elwell Murder and Private Secretary of the Slain Man



of his business relations with his employer, Rhodes declares that his employer owed him two weeks or a month's salary. William Barnes, secretary to Elwell, denies this. There is a discrepancy in Rhodes's stories regarding the time he arrived at the house after the murder.

The story of the chauffeur gave the impression at first that he believed his employer committed suicide. Later in interviews he scouted this belief, saying that there was no reason for such a theory. He was quoted as saying that three women had keys to the Elwell house. To reporters he vigorously denied ever having made such a statement.

He went further and declared that he had never driven any women to or from the Elwell home, and said that if Elwell had such visitors they went to him in taxis or their own machines. Rhodes is himself a married man.

Arthur Blopp, who was Elwell's chauffeur while Rhodes was away during the war, is quoted as saying that he knew that several women had keys to the house. When Rhodes was spoken to in regard to the statement, he said the keys, if the women had them, would be useless to them, as Mr. Elwell had changed all the locks since the house was robbed last December.

It is to check up these apparent discrepancies that the investigation is being started over again in the murder house. Mr. Joyce and the police want to start anew.

Something which was brought out today and which has not been before mentioned by the police, fixes the time within a few minutes of the shooting. Mrs. Larsen told the police that when she entered the house she smelt powder smoke. The police have experimented and discovered that the odor of powder in a well ventilated room will not last more than 15 or 20 minutes.

Assistant District Attorney Joyce said that he is anxious to interview Victor von Bohlen, the former husband of Viola Kraus, whom the late Philip Boileau, illustrator of pretty woman magazine covers, pronounced the "most beautiful young girl in New York."

BELIEVED ELWELL KNEW VISITOR AND IGNORED THREATS.

It is believed that the murdered man knew his early morning visitor and that if the latter made any threats, the racing man, who was noted for his cool nerve, disregarded them and had little respect and no fear of the man who fired the 45-caliber bullet into his head.

The murderer may have let himself into the house with a key, or he may have been admitted by his victim. He had a quarrel of some sort with Elwell, but the racing man evidently was paying little heed to his grievance, for he went on reading the letter from Lloyd Gentry which he had picked up at the door a short time before.

From the position in which the dying man was found in his chair it is evident to the police that he did not attempt to rise and was paying little attention to the man who had come to murder him. That he saw his murderer there is no doubt, for the shot was fired from in front of him.

Possibly, the investigators say, the murderer called Elwell's name while he was reading the letter and he looked up into the pistol barrel. The next instant the weapon was discharged and Elwell fell back in his chair, his head almost touching the wall, unconscious, and never spoke again.

Richard Elwell, the son of the murdered man, arrived this morning to attend the funeral of his father in Ridgewood, N. J. He is fifteen years old, a manly looking little chap, the image of his father. He went to his mother's home at No. 1137 Lexington Avenue.

"When asked if he thought that the stories about his father associating with other women were true, he said: "I don't think so. But I didn't know my father. I hadn't seen him since I was five years old. I have been going to a prep school at Andover, but I guess that's all over. I don't know what I am going to do, but mother can't afford to send me to school. She has no money, and I will have to stay home and help her."

A man and woman whose whereabouts are known are to be questioned as new witnesses in the case. In addition to this new lead the detectives are working on the story of two sisters whose names are withheld for the time. These girls were walking along Amsterdam Avenue on the morning of the murder, one on her way to school and the other going to work.

They saw, according to their story, Mrs. Larsen, Elwell's housekeeper, turn into the avenue from 70th Street and talk excitedly to Patrolman Slinger. When they observed the policeman and the woman striding, their curiosity impelled them to follow. The policeman was in the house only a short time when he emerged and went to an apartment house, presumably to telephone for an ambulance.

Shortly afterward, the girls said, an elderly man, wearing a Panama hat, came down the steps from the house and joined a girl who was standing at the curb just below the house. The girl said: "Come on, pop, and she and the man with the Pan-

ama hat walked rapidly toward the east. The latter carried a handkerchief in his left hand.

One of the young women who has been mentioned in the case as having been questioned by the detectives is to be questioned again by Assistant District Attorney Joyce of the Homicide Bureau, and is one of the several women friends of the murdered man who are to be interrogated.

But more than anybody else, the detectives are seeking two men, one a society man and both familiar about the race tracks, both of whom, they say, disappeared on Friday after the murder.

Of the two men most sought today, one was reported at his apartment to have made all arrangements for departure Thursday and to have left for "parts unknown." He is said to have had a grudge against Elwell because of a matter relating to the war, and also because Elwell had won the affections of his wife, with whom he is not living. The other man is described as a bachelor who had resented Elwell's attentions to a woman acquaintance. He left his hotel the day of the murder.

An unusual move was made by the police early to-day in attacking the mystery from another angle. Every garage in Manhattan was ordered canvassed for taxi calls between 11:30 Thursday night and 3:30 Friday morning. It was intimated that the detectives have found reason to believe the murderer used an automobile in going to Elwell's home, but they will not admit having discovered anyone who saw it standing in front of or near the house.

The theory that a woman did the shooting has not been abandoned, though it is regarded as improbable a woman could have fired a 45-caliber pistol with such accuracy. Dr. Charles Norris, who performed the autopsy, said on this point: "A woman could have fired it if she were familiar with firearms."

He said he did not know whether a weapon such as was used could be equipped with a silencer, but he did not think so. Nor was there anything, he added, to disprove the theory that the pistol was fired through the pocket of a coat. He thinks the murderer could not have been more than three feet away.

"The wound," he said, "would point in my opinion, to the presence of the revolver did not show it. The circumstances, I think, prove that Elwell was not taken by surprise, at least that the presence of the man or woman in the house was not a surprise to him. He might have been about to know that that he was about to be shot. On the other hand, he might have been sitting there trying to induce the murderer not to shoot."

Among the stories of where Elwell went after leaving Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lewisohn, Elwell's sister-in-law, Miss Viola Kraus, at 2 A. M. Friday is one that he was seen dancing with a young woman in one of the trotteries in the Tenderloin, and that after being there far into the morning they left together. The police were told the young woman was well known in the courts and the underworld. But they cannot confirm the story.

What baffles the police is this: Where did Elwell go when he left the Lewisohn party? Apparently he did not go directly home. He left the Lewisohns' car at 42d Street and Seventh Avenue, and as he said good night to members of the party, he started across Seventh Avenue and headed west. A detailed search of Elwell's home gave not the slightest indication that he had been home very long before he was shot.

Assistant District Attorney Joyce spent yesterday in the Elwell home, where for five hours he questioned Countess Sonia Szaniawska of No. 11 West 52d Street and her sister, Mrs. L. Hardy, who resides at No. 200 West 52d Street.

DRAMATIS PERSONAE IN MYSTERY OF THE MURDER OF J. B. ELWELL

More Than Thirty People Connected With the Case and Efforts to Trace Slayer.

JOSEPH BOWNE Elwell, turfman, clubman and whist wizard, the murdered man.

Miss Marie Larsen, his housekeeper, who discovered the crime.

Patrolman William Slinger, whom she notified.

Police Captain Walsh, head of the Fourth Detective Bureau, to whom Slinger reported.

Lloyd Gentry, trainer for Elwell's Beach Stables at Latonia, writer of the blood-stained letter Elwell was reading when he was shot down.

William H. Barnes, Elwell's secretary.

Edward Rhodes, Elwell's chauffeur.

Arthur Bishop, who served as Elwell's chauffeur while Rhodes was in war.

Andrew Scheller, Elwell's betting commissioner.

William H. Pendleton, Elwell's former partner in the Beach Stables.

Torrey, the postman, who delivered at the door the letter which Elwell was reading when shot.

Otter, the milkman, who left milk at the Elwell door at 6:30 o'clock.

Walter Lewisohn, who gave a party at the Ritz and Midnight Frolic the night of the murder.

Mrs. Walter Lewisohn, a guest.

Viola Kraus, divorced from Victor von Schlegel, sister of Mrs. Lewisohn.

James L. Elwell, brother of the murdered man.

Arthur Caspary, a friend of the murdered man, and one of the executors of his will.

Capt. William A. Jones, former platoon expert of the Police Department.

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INSPECTOR DALY MADE 4TH DEPUTY; PENSION ASSURED

Promotion Makes Him Eligible for Retirement in Six Months at \$3,500 a Year.

Police Commissioner Dwight announced to-day the promotion of Chief Inspector John Daly to the Fourth Deputy Police Commissioner, which left vacant by the resignation of Frederick A. Wallis, who resigned to become Immigration Commissioner at Ellis Island.

Alfred Thor, formerly chief of Daly's staff, has been appointed Acting Chief Inspector and will assume his new duties at once. Daly has been granted six months' leave of absence.

Under the provisions of an act passed in 1918 and now part of the city charter, Daly can serve six months as Deputy Commissioner and retire on a salary of \$3,500 a year, half his annual pay as Chief Inspector. He could not have obtained a pension as chief inspector, there being no pension provision covering that office. Had he obtained a pension as Borough Inspector, which pays \$4,800, or as Inspector, which pays \$4,400 his pension would have been \$2,400 or \$2,200.

Daly at the end of his six months' leave of absence thus will benefit by the law, which reads:

"Services as Police Commissioner or Deputy Police Commissioner by a member of the police force shall be deemed performance of duty on such force, and any member who shall have performed duty on such force for a period of twenty years and for at least six months as Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner may be retired by the Mayor and placed on the pension roll of the Police Department and granted the pension allowed a Chief Inspector in such department."

Daly was appointed to the uniformed force on Jan. 21, 1885. He became successfully sergeant, lieutenant, captain, inspector, and on May 14, 1918, chief inspector. He is the fourth member of the department to be appointed a Commissioner.

Another guest.

P. Figueroa, a guest. The last named four were the last who saw Elwell alive, at 2 o'clock on the morning of the murder.

Lytleton Fox, Lewisohn's attorney.

William M. K. Olcott, former District Attorney, member of the Whist Club and friend of the murdered man.

Mrs. Helen Derby Elwell, wife of the murdered man.

Richard Elwell, fifteen-year-old son of the Elwells.

Victor von Schlegel, divorced husband of Viola Kraus.

Police Inspector John J. Cray, head of the Detective Bureau.

Police Capt. Arthur Carey, head of the Homicide Bureau.

Deputy Police Commissioner William J. Lahay.

Joseph S. Elwell, father of the murdered man.

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MRS. HELEN ELWELL, WIFE OF MURDERED WHIST AUTHORITY



MRS. ELWELL PLANS FIGHT FOR ESTATE FOR HER ONLY SON

(Continued from Page One.)

thing I have in life, all that I have had for the last twelve years, is my dear boy. If it were not for him there would be nothing left for me.

"I am sure that my husband was murdered, but I don't know by whom. He was very fond of women and knew a great many of them. He was killed by some one he had offended by his attentions to some woman. I don't believe he made a practice of showing his attentions to married women; he liked younger women."

"If I do not intend that my son shall become a gambler like his father if I can prevent it, I will teach him to play bridge as a recreation and a mental exercise, but as to gambling, I pray to God that he will never become a gambler. Playing for small amounts such as \$5 or \$10, is perfectly all right and is not gambling. But when a man goes into it as his father did it always leads to trouble. I wish to obtain for my boy all the happiness in the world, but happiness does not lie in gambling."

SAYS SHE WROTE BOOKS ON BRIDGE FOR HUSBAND.

Mrs. Elwell is a tall, statuesque woman of middle age. Her hair is blonde and she has fine white teeth and blue eyes. On her fingers, as she talked to-day, were several diamond and opal rings. Opals, according to accepted superstition, are unlucky.

Speaking of her husband's books on bridge, which are deemed to be authoritative upon the subject, she said: "I wrote every one of those books. Mr. Elwell signed them, that is all, and he received the royalties from them. These amounted to \$18,000 that I know of and there must have been a much larger amount. He got the credit and distinction from them, but I not only wrote them but took them to the publishers, Scribner's, and attended to their publication."

"I am not sorry that my husband is dead. His manner of endearment was to tell me he hoped he would stamp upon my dead face. When I saw him for the last time four years ago I asked him if he wasn't interested in Richard's welfare and whether he didn't want to see him. All he replied was that he had heard he was getting on very well in his career, adding 'So why should I worry? When my husband lived with us his unfavorable method of addressing his son was 'Get the hell out of here.'"

"The death of my husband stir up all sorts of things I had hoped to forget. I had not seen him for four years and everything he meant to me was connected with abuse and suffering."

"My husband had a dread of death. When anyone talked of death he would leave the room. He could not even bear mention of the word. He even went to a quack doctor who told him that by a certain regimen he could live to be 125 years old. He used to eat two prunes for breakfast and then go upstairs and practice all sorts of exercises as part of the regimen."

Mrs. Elwell, who said that she was Mrs. Helen Derby, first cousin of Dr. Derby, who married Miss Ethel Roosevelt, added that when she married Elwell she had \$35,000 a year with which to maintain a home. "But in those days," she concluded, "I was young and romantic."

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And Court Slaps Him With a Ten-Day Sentence.

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KNOWN FACTS AND CHIEF POINTS UNSOLVED IN ELWELL TRAGEDY

So Far the Police Have Only Established That the Noted Whist Expert Was Slain.

KNOWN facts in the Elwell murder mystery:

Joseph Bowne Elwell, noted turfman and international authority on whist, found unconscious with bullet wound in head.

A bullet fired from a 45-caliber army automatic pistol found embedded in the wall behind the chair in which he was sitting; the slaying on the floor.

Elwell dies two hours later at Bellevue.

No weapon found.

A letter he had been reading is found on the floor.

The letter was left by the postman at 7:35 that morning.

It was between that hour and 8:55 when the housekeeper arrived that the murder occurred.

The front door of the house, within a few feet of the murder, was open.

Elwell spent the night before at the Ritz-Carlton and the Mid-night Folies with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lewisohn and other friends.

Medical men state that suicide would have been impossible under the conditions in which the body was found.

The dead man was known to have associated with many beautiful women.

POINTS to be cleared up in the Elwell murder:

What was the motive for his murder?

How did his slayer get into the house?

Did he accompany Elwell home?

How did the murderer leave the house?

What were Elwell's movements after leaving the Lewisohns and their friends in front of the Amsterdam roof at 2 o'clock Friday morning?

Did he meet any one on his way home?

At what hour did he reach his home?

By what method of transportation did he go home?

Did he have any enemies?

Why, after disrobing, did he go downstairs from his bedroom on the third floor to the drawing room on the first floor?

Was it because of the postman's ring or whistle?

Who are the three women said to have keys to the Elwell house?

Was the slayer the husband of a woman who may have had a key to the house?

Did Elwell know who murdered him?

CATCH THREE BOYS CHASED OFF ROOF

Accused of Brass Theft, Two Are Arraigned in Children's Court, One Held on Burglary Charge.

Detective Charles Battalora and Capt. Richard Gray of the Coney Island Station, Brooklyn, answered a call early today to the plant of A. Ludwig & Co., No. 133 Middleton Street. On the roof the policemen saw a light and three boys who fled when the officers appeared.

Battalora chased them down the fire escape and Capt. Gray ran for his auto and followed along the street to Public School No. 122, a few blocks away, where the trio was caught. They gave their names as Edgar Panso, fifteen, No. 403 Marcy Avenue; Morris Selkowitz, fifteen, No. 118 Middleton Street; and William Moyan, sixteen, No. 258 Hayswood Street.

Selkowitz and Panso were arraigned in the Children's Court on charges of juvenile delinquency, and Moyan in the Plaza Court, charged with burglary. Moyan was held in \$1,000 bail for examination Friday.

The boys, according to the police, had bundled up \$40 worth of brass, which one of them had obtained when lowered through the scuttle by a rope.

DETECTIVE TIERNEY DEAD:

Had Seen Twenty-nine Years' Service and Handled Big Cases.

Funeral services for Detective Edmund Tierney, retired, who died in his home No. 59 Adrian Avenue, the Bronx, on Saturday, will be held to-morrow morning in St. John's Church, 233d Street and Kingsbridge Road.

Tierney joined the police department in 1890. He retired in 1919, afterward becoming a New York Central detective on the electric division. During his twenty-nine years with the Police Department he was for twenty-eight years a first class detective and figured in several large arrests. He leaves a widow and two daughters, Catherine and Dorothy.

Two Die From Wood Alcohol.

BOSTON, June 11.—George A. Hamill and his wife, Irene, died to-day, victims of wood alcohol poisoning, in the opinion of physicians who attended them.

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ONLY THE RIPEST and CHOICEST FRESH FRUITS yield the luscious Juices for the Syrups used at all LOFT Sanitary Soda Fountains.

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<p>Our Big Daily Special for Monday, June 14th</p> <p>BUTTER PEANUT BRITTLE—You say you love brittle, but you don't know what it is. Well, here it is. It's the best you ever tasted. It's made with the finest ingredients and is absolutely delicious. It's a real treat. You'll love it. It's a real treat. You'll love it. It's a real treat. You'll love it.</p> <p>29c</p>	<p>Our Big Daily Special for Tuesday, June 15th</p> <p>CHOCOLATE COVERED FIGS AND COCONUTS—The finest chocolate covered figs and coconuts. It's a real treat. You'll love it. It's a real treat. You'll love it. It's a real treat. You'll love it.</p> <p>34c</p>
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Other Monday Attractions

<p>MILK CHOCOLATE COVERED MARSHMALLOW CANDIES—The finest milk chocolate covered marshmallow candies. It's a real treat. You'll love it. It's a real treat. You'll love it. It's a real treat. You'll love it.</p> <p>75c</p>	<p>CHOCOLATE COVERED DATE BARS—The finest chocolate covered date bars. It's a real treat. You'll love it. It's a real treat. You'll love it. It's a real treat. You'll love it.</p> <p>59c</p>
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